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Driving Hints Given By Highway Patrol

Slight Downward Business Trend Noted by Security

Business activity in Southern California continued in a light downward trend during December, James J. Weigel, manager of Security First National Bank, Torrance, reported this week.

The bank's index of business activity stood at 214.4 (preliminary) compared with 215.1 in November. The December index was only fractionally below the 1960 peak of 216.0, which occurred in October, and exceeded the year-earlier level by 2.3 per cent, Weigel said.

In reviewing 1960, Weigel noted that the year as a whole recorded the largest volume of business in the history of the area, although signs of weakness in certain sectors of the economy, noted at mid-year, continued to be in evidence during the second half of the year.

ALLOWANCE MADE

Security's business index for the year averaged 213.7 compared with 208.6 in 1959; a gain of 2.4 per cent. However, if allowance is made for a population increase of approximately 3 1/2 per cent in 1960, business volume on a "per capita" basis averaged about 1 1/2 per cent lower in 1960 than in 1959, the report said.

According to the report, new 1960 records were established in total employment, income, retail sales and total construction volume.

Total employment in the southern half of California averaged about 3,855,000 during 1960, an increase of 108,000, or three per cent over the 1959 average, with a general leveling-off tendency apparent throughout the year.

Personal income in the Southland was estimated at \$27,300,000, a gain of 6 per cent over 1959, the previous record year.

SALES ESTIMATE

Retail sales in 1960 were estimated at \$14,485,000,000 for the 14-county area, up \$285,000,000 or two per cent over 1959's record total. The number of new automobiles sold in Southern California during 1960 was the highest of any year with the exception of 1955.

Another significant factor noted by the bank's research department during 1960 was the rise in unemployment. During 1960 unemployment averaged approximately 226,300, an increase of 26 per cent over the 1959 average. The number reported unemployed averaged 5.5 per cent of the total civilian labor force; about the same as for the United States as a whole.

Homebuilding activity for 1960 was below 1959's record level. In the fourteen southernmost counties, permits were issued for about 130,500 family dwelling units; 18 per cent fewer than in 1959.

What is a safe following distance? California Highway Patrol Commissioner Bradford M. Crittenden offers this definition:

"That section of clear roadway between your car and the vehicle ahead within which you are absolutely certain you can stop safely, no matter what emergency develops in front of you."

Crittenden notes that this distance differs with each driver. The rule of thumb often voiced—"One car length for each 10-mile increment of speed"—does not apply to every driver, nor to any driver when roadway and weather conditions are less than the best.

ADJUSTMENTS NEEDED

"During winter, when lighting conditions are poor, vision often obscured by fog, and rain, and streets are slick, adjustments are necessary in following distances," he emphasizes.

"The careful driver is one who makes allowances for existing conditions including his own reaction time, then adopts a following distance which coincides with these standards."

"Many motorists apparently are still unaware that parking lamps are not a substitute for headlights," California Highway Patrol Commissioner Bradford M. Crittenden pointed out as he cautioned drivers recently.

LAW PREVENTS

"The law which prevents use of parking lamps while driving—except as a turning signal or when the headlights also are on—has been in the vehicle code for five years," he said, "but the incidence of incorrect usage is still high."

Passage of the law was designed to halt a dangerous practice. "It was Patrol experience that parking lights used as driving lights tended to confuse oncoming drivers. The pinpoints of light were misconstrued as regular headlights viewed at some distance."

"The recent fog which blanketed much of central California emphasized the problem," he pointed out. "The small amount of light provided by parking lamps could not be seen by approaching drivers."

"Whenever it is necessary to turn on your lights while driving, be sure it is the headlights, not the parking lights," he cautioned.

\$50,000 Cash Prize List for Flower Show

Exhibit space for the First Annual World Flower and Garden Show Feb. 24-March 5 at Pan-Pacific Auditorium is rapidly being booked, Show Management, Inc. recently reported.

The unprecedented \$50,000 cash prize list for the flower show was credited with attracting the large number of exhibitors in all classifications, according to H. Werner Buck, executive producer of the floral extravaganza.

Sgt. O'Leary Completes Extra Training Session

Five days of advanced motorcycle training have been completed by Sgt. Michael O'Leary of the California Highway Patrol's local area. Twenty hours of classroom instruction and 20 hours of field riding were included in the training which is designed to build a pool of skilled riders from which new assignments to motorcycle duty can be made.

Sgt. O'Leary, who lives in Torrance, studied nomenclature and maintenance of the cycle, all-weather riding, congestion control and other subjects. Training was conducted at the Patrol's Sacramento Academy.

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TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Violation of right-of-way in driving is second only to excessive speed as a major cause of traffic accidents in California, according to the California Highway Patrol. The most frequent violations occur at intersections without traffic signals or stop signs.

HIGHWAY PATROL

California Highway Patrol is charged with the enforcement of the State Vehicle Code, and all laws governing the operation of vehicles on public highways. Some 2,500 officers in 750 patrol cars and 330 motorcycles enforce the Code to keep the highways safe for all motorists.